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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/569,334	Applicant(s) JUNGKVIST ET AL.	
	Examiner Peter Szekely	Art Unit 1796	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 February 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☒ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 21 February 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Priority

1. The claim for foreign priority should be described in the first paragraph of the specification.

Specification

2. The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: On page 9, line 7, the word "talc" is misspelled.

Appropriate correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

3. The following is a quotation of the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall conclude with one or more claims particularly pointing out and distinctly claiming the subject matter which the applicant regards as his invention.

4. Claims 6, 11, 17 and 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

5. The claims contain improper Markush language. When the last conjunction is "and" or "and/or" proper Markush language is "selected from the group consisting of".

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

6. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

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7. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Nomura et al. 5,013,773, Davidson et al. 5,091,453, Okimura et al. 5,489,648, Aoyama et al.

5,733,975 or Feng et al. 6,077,892.

8. Nomura et al. disclose thermoplastic resin in claim 1, polyolefins in claims 2-4 and 6, colloidal calcium carbonate in column 4, line 55 and silicone oil in column 5, lines 41-42. Davidson et al. teach ethylene copolymer, silicon fluid or gum and filler in claim 1, copolymers in claims 3 and 5, calcium carbonate in claims 2, 4 and the total composition in claim 9 and the composition with a calcium carbonate having an average particle size of 0.7 microns in Table 1, Example 1, while using the composition for wire and cable is shown in column 4, lines 36-42. Okimura et al. recite polyolefin, modified polyolefin, core shell polymer and filler in claim 19, composition of the modified polyolefin in claim 1, composition of the polyolefin in column 7, lines 37-55, composition of the core-shell polymer in column 9, line 3 and column 10, lines 44-45 and calcium carbonate with its particle size in column 16, lines 60-65 and Table 3. Aoyama et al. display polyolefin, core-shell polymer and filler in claim 1, calcium carbonate in claim 12, composition of the polyolefin in column 4, lines 12-25, composition of the core-shell polymer in column 5, line 26 and column 6, lines 66-67 and particle size in Example 6. Feng et al. reveal polyolefin and organosilicone compound in claim 1, calcium carbonate with its particle size and concentrations in Example 1. Applicants' claims are not novel.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

9. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

10. This application currently names joint inventors. In considering patentability of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), the examiner presumes that the subject matter of the various claims was commonly owned at the time any inventions covered therein were made absent any evidence to the contrary. Applicant is advised of the obligation under 37 CFR 1.56 to point out the inventor and invention dates of each claim that was not commonly owned at the time a later invention was made in order for the examiner to consider the applicability of 35 U.S.C. 103(c) and potential 35 U.S.C. 102(e), (f) or (g) prior art under 35 U.S.C. 103(a).

11. Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nomura et al. 5,013,773, Davidson et al. 5,091,453, Okimura et al. 5,489,648, Aoyama et al. 5,733,975 or Feng et al. 6,077,892, in view of Hayashi et al. 6,020,411.

12. The primary references have been described already. Hayashi et al. show applicants' composition in the Table. Although it is not known what fraction of the talc and calcium carbonate have applicants' claimed particle size, it would have been obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art, at the time the invention was made, to use the compositions of the primary references in a wire and cable formulation, since the ingredients are identical and to select applicants' claimed compounds from a list of

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equivalents in the primary references.

13. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Peter Szekely whose telephone number is (571) 272-1124. The examiner can normally be reached on 6:10 a.m.-4:40 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Harold Pyon can be reached on (571) 272-1498. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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